Recommendations of National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution

4161. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to stale:

a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution has submitted its final report recently;

(b) if so, the major recommendations made by the Review Commission and action taken/proposed to be taken thereon;

(c) whether it is also a fect that some Minutes of Dissent have also been added to the report and the report represents only a majority view and not the unanimous opinion of the Review Panel; and

(d) if so. the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW. JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commission has made various recommendations pertaining to (i) Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties; (ii) Electoral Processes and Political Parties; (iii) Parliament and State Legislatures; (iv) Executive and Public Administration; (v) The Judiciary; (vi) Union-State Relations; (vii) Decentralisation and Devolution; and (viii) Pace of Socio-Economic change and development. The recommendations involve amendments to the Constitution, legislative measures and executive action. Action on the recommendations lies with the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, which are administratively concerned with the subject mailer of the recommendations.

(c) and (d) The report has been signed by all the Member including Chairperson. However, S/Shri Justice B.P Jeevan Reddy, Dr. Subhash C. Kashyap, C.R. Irani and Smt. Sumitra G. Kulkarni have recorded separate notes on certain issued which *inter alia*, relate to superior judiciary, liability of the State in Torts, fundamental rights, directive principles, fundamental duties electoral reforms and citizenship.